

Comptroller General of the United States

Washington, D.C. 20548

Decision

Matter of: Aliron International Inc.

File: B-242794

Date: February 6, 1991

Corazon Alisuag for the protester.

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General Accounting Office is without jurisdiction to consider a protest of a procurement by the Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives because the House of Representatives is not a federal agency for bid protest purposes.

DECISION

Aliron International Inc. protests the award of a contract for laundry services by the Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives.

We dismiss the protest because we have no jurisdiction over procurements by the U.S. House of Representatives since it is not a federal agency for bid protest purposes.

Our bid protest jurisdiction is limited to procurements of federal agencies. 31 U.S.C. § 3551 (1988); 4 C.F.R. § 21.1(a) (1990). A federal agency is:

"any executive department or independent establishment in the executive branch, including any wholly owned government corporation, and any establishment in the legislative or judicial branch, except the Senate, the House of Representatives and the Architect of the Capitol and any activities under his direction." 4 C.F.R. § 21.0(c).

Since the entity here is not a federal agency, we are without jurisdiction to consider the protest. Centex Constr. Co., Inc., B-238812, Mar. 7, 1990, 90-1 CPD 4 256.

Accordingly, the protest is dismissed.

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